

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition for chemical mechanical planarization comprising an aqueous solution of ozone and abrasive particles, wherein a concentration of said ozone in said aqueous solution is between 1 to about 20 parts per million.
2. (Original) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said abrasive particles are selected from the group consisting of alumina, silica, ceria, spinel, zirconia and mixtures thereof.
3. (Original) A composition as in claim 1 further comprising at least one additive selected from the group consisting of carbonate, bicarbonate, oxalic acid, formic acid, acetic acid, glycol acids and mixtures thereof.
4. (Canceled)
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6. (Original) A composition as in claim 1 further comprising at least one ammonium salt.
7. (Original) A composition as in claim 6 wherein said at least one ammonium salt is ammonium carbonate.
8. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said abrasive particles are selected from the group consisting of alumina, ceria, spinel, zirconia and mixtures thereof.
9. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 1 further comprising at least one additive selected from the group consisting of bicarbonate, oxalic acid, formic acid, glycol acids and mixtures thereof.
10. (New) A composition as in claim 1 wherein said abrasive particles are spinel.